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S. I. R.:

This is a request for filing a

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Brief
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CONTINUATION DIVISIONAL application under:

37 C.F.R. § 1.60 37 C.F.R. § 1.62¹, of pending prior application
Serial No. 08/311,050, filed on September 23, 1994 of
Yoshitaka TAKAHASHI, Hiroshi AKIYAMA, Masami EMOTO for
Inventor(s)

OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS

(Title of Invention)

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application as originally filed and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as a true copy (see Item 17, below).
2. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 AND 1.27
 is enclosed.
 was filed in the prior application and such status is still proper and desired (37 C.F.R. 1.28(a)).
3. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT

	Number Filed		Number Extra*		RATE		FEE	
					SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY
Total Claims	13-20	=	0	x	\$ 11	\$ 22	=	\$ ---
Indep. Claims	2- 3	=	0	x	\$ 40	\$ 80	=	\$ ---
Multiple Dependent Claims Presented:	Yes	No	X		\$130	\$260	=	\$ ---
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					TOTAL FEE		\$	\$ 770

1. Filing an application pursuant to this section expressly abandons the parent application.

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4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

The issue fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.311(b).

5. Three copies of this sheet are enclosed.

6. A check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed.

7. Cancel claims _____.

8. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This is a continuation division of application Serial No. 08/311,050 filed 09-23-94. ^{1994 US Pat. No. 5,694,385}

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9. 35 Sheet(s) of informal formal drawings is/are enclosed.

10. Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application.

11. Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.

12. Priority of applications Nos. 5-237027, 5-245295 and 5-270225 filed 09/24/93, 09/30/93 and 10/28/93, respectively, in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in prior application Serial No. 08/311,050, filed on 09-23-94.

13. The prior application is assigned of record to Ricoh Company, Ltd.

14. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

15. The power of attorney in the prior application is to Ivan S. Kavrukov, Reg. No. 25161; Thomas F. Moran, Reg. No. 16579; Christopher C. Dunham, Reg. No. 22031; John P. White, Reg. No. 28678; Thomas G. Carulli, Reg. No. 30616; Robert D. Katz, Reg. No. 30141; Peter J. Phillips, Reg. No. 29691, and each of them, all c/o Cooper & Dunham, 1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 11706 (Tel.: (212) 278-0400).

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(a) The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

(b) Since the Power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the Power in the prior application is enclosed.

(c) Address all future communications to:
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16. Also enclosed Express Mail Certificate
Information Disclosure Statement

17. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 08/311,050, as originally filed on 09/23/94.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

July 16, 1997
(Date)


(Signature)

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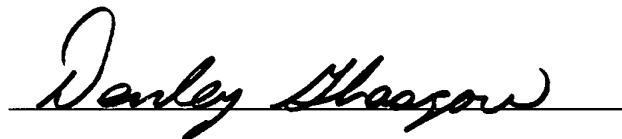
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I hereby certify that the above-identified application (which is a Rule 1.60 continuation of S.N. 08/311,050 filed 09-23-94), consisting of a 3-page continuation application (in triplicate), copy of parent application S.N. 08/311,050 filed 09-23-94, copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney in the parent application, Preliminary Amendment, 35 sheets of formal drawings (and photocopy thereof), Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO - 1449 and check for \$770 filing fee), is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.



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To whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, Yoshitaka Takahashi, Hiroshi Akiyama, and Masami Emoto, citizens of Japan respectively residing at Hirats-Corpo. 102, 67-10, utsukushigaoka 3-chome, Midori-ku, Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa-ken; Eda-ryo, 17-27, Eda-minami 2-chome Midori-ku, Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa-ken; and 630, Nakata-cho, Izumi-ku, Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa-ken, all Japan have invented certain new and useful improvements in

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of which the following is a full, clear and exact description.